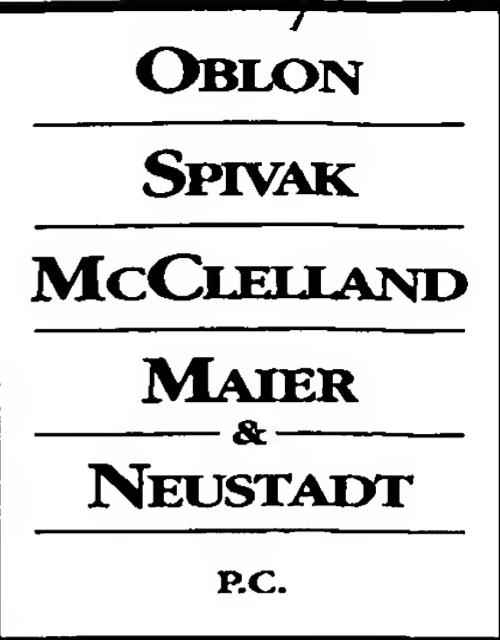




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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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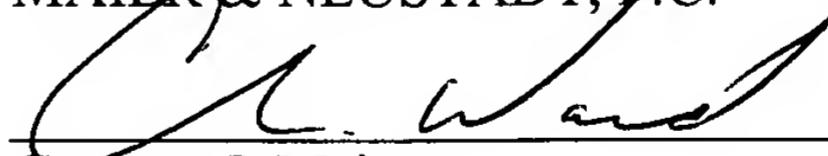
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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 6, 2004, which superseded the erroneous Restriction Requirement dated October 30, 2003, Applicants provisionally elect with traverse the invention of Group I, corresponding to Claims 19-33 of the present application.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Restriction Requirement based upon MPEP § 803 which states:

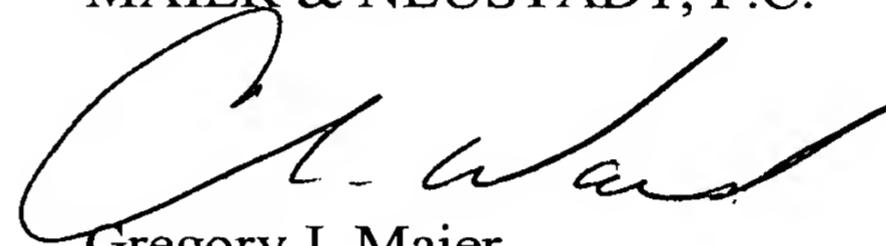
... If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions.

The claims of the present invention would appear to be part of an overlapping search area. Therefore, Applicants respectfully traverse the outstanding Restriction Requirement on the grounds that a search and examination of the entire application would not place a serious burden on the Examiner.

Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request that the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn, and that a full examination on the merits of Claims 19-36 be conducted.

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